



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING
COMMITTEE MEETING**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2022

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS

C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR

1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Conwell called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Conwell asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Committee members Conwell, Miller and Turner were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Stephens joined the meeting after the roll call was taken. Committee member Sweeney was absent from the meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 29, 2022 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Turner, seconded by Mr. Miller, and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the June 29, 2022 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

[Clerk's note: Resolution No. R2022-0237 was taken out of order and considered prior to R2022-0228.]

- a) R2022-0219: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to a Master Contract with various providers for community-based services to support at-risk children and families in Cuyahoga County for the period 4/1/2021 – 3/31/2022, to extend the time period to 12/31/2022, to expand the scope of services to add data collection and sharing, capacity building, staff training and marketing services, effective 4/1/2022 and for additional funds in the total amount not-to-exceed \$3,705,800.71; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendments and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:
- i) Contract No. 1098 with Catholic Charities Corporation in the amount not-to-exceed \$497,389.25.
 - ii) Agreement No. 1099 with City of Lakewood in the amount not-to-exceed \$344,558.96.
 - iii) Agreement No. 1100 with Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority in the amount not-to-exceed \$277,890.72.
 - iv) Contract No. 1101 with The East End Neighborhood House in the amount not-to-exceed \$326,909.21.
 - v) Contract No. 1102 with Harvard Community Services Center in the amount not-to-exceed \$352,816.46.
 - vi) Contract No. 1103 with Murtis Taylor Human Services System in the amount not-to-exceed \$743,273.13.
 - vii) Contract No. 1104 with The Centers for Families and Children in the amount not-to-exceed \$302,117.21.
 - viii) Contract No. 1105 with University Settlement, Incorporated in the amount not-to-exceed \$524,521.30.
 - ix) Contract No. 1106 with West Side Community House in the amount not-to-exceed \$336,324.47.

Mr. Marcos Cortes, Interim Administrator for the Division of Contracts Administration and Performance; Ms. Jacqueline Fletcher, Interim Director of the Division of Children and Family Services and Ms. Sabrina Roberts, Interim Assistant Director of the Department of Health and Human Services addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0219. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Cortes, Ms. Fletcher and Ms. Roberts pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Stephens, with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2022-0219 was considered and approved by majority vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules, with Mr. Miller recusing himself from the vote.

- b) R2022-0228: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$65,000, to the Catholic Charities, St. Martin de Porres Family Center for Strategic Plan Development from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Karnese McKenzie, Director for St. Martin de Porres Family Center and Ms. Joan Hinkelman, Senior Director of Family Services for St. Martin de Porres Family Center, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0228. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. McKenzie and Ms. Hinkelman pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Stephens, with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2022-0228 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

- c) R2022-0229: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$90,000, to the Catholic Charities Corporation, Fatima Family Center for furniture upgrades at 6600 Lexington Avenue on the Fatima Family Center campus from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. LaJean Ray, Director of Fatima Family Center and Ms. Hinkelman, Fatima Family Family Center addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0229. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Ray and Ms. Hinkelman pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Stephens, with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2022-0229 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

- d) R2022-0230: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$63,000, to the Catholic Charities Corporation, Fatima Family Center for the Hough Collaborative Main Office Upgrade from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Ray and Ms. Hinkelman, Fatima Family Center addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0230. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Ray and Ms. Hinkelman pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Stephens, with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2022-0230 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

- e) R2022-0231: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$250,000, to East End Neighborhood House, Inc. for the purpose of making various capital improvements from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Atunyese Herron, President and Chief Executive Officer of the East End Neighborhood House, Inc. and Mr. Clay Williams, Wrap Specialist of the East End Neighborhood House, Inc.; Ms. Yolanda Kennedy and Ms. Betty Utsey, “Wisdom Keepers” representing The Wisdom Keepers Senior Center, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0231. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Herron and Mr. Williams, pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly. Ms. Kennedy and Ms. Utsey addressed the Committee regarding the services offered at The Wisdom Keepers Senior Center. Discussion ensued.

On a motion by Ms. Stephens, with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2022-0231 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

- f) R2022-0232: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$700,000, to the Murtis Taylor Human Services System for the Community Center Capital Repair, Renovation and Expansion Project from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Lovell Custard, President and Chief Executive Officer of Murtis Taylor Human Services System, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0232. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Custard pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Stephens, with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2022-0232 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

- g) R2022-0237: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$2,500,000, to the Cleveland Hitchcock Center for Women, Inc. for the purpose of constructing a new treatment center building from the General Fund – ARPA Revenue Replacement, the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund, and the District 10 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Jason Joyce, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Cleveland Hitchcock Center for Women, Inc. and Mr. Wesley Finch, Founder and Chairman of the Finch Group addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0237. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Joyce and Mr. Finch pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Mr. Miller introduced a proposed substitute to Resolution No. R2022-0237. Discussion ensued.

A motion was then made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Stephens and approved by unanimous vote the accept the proposed substitute.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell, with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2022-0237 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading, as substituted.

Ms. Conwell stated that there was an agreement among Councilmembers that all projects receiving ARPA funding would require three readings by County Council.

6. PRESENTATION

- a) Legal Aid Society of Cleveland

Ms. Melanie Shakarian, Director of Development and Communications and Ms. Colleen Cotter, Executive Director of the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland provided an overview of services offered by the organization. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Shakarian and Ms. Cotter pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Ms. Turner announced that August is Child Support Awareness Month.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Conwell adjourned the meeting at 2:41 p.m., without objection.